Statement

Month	Consumer Price Index for Industrial workers	Annual rate of inflation
April, 93	245	6.06
May, 93	246	5.12
June, 93	250	5.93
July, 93	253	4.54
August, 93	256	5.78
September, 93	259	6.58
October, 93	262	7.37
November, 93	265	8.60
December, 93	264	8.64
January, 94	263	9.12

Rural unemployed persons in the country

7427. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to refer to the anwer to Unstarred Question 5336 given in the Rajya Sabha on 2nd May 1994 and State;

(a) What part of total unemployed persons is constituted by the rural people ; and

(b) how many rural un-employed are estimated to become employed by the year 1994-95 and by the end of the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGY GHATOWAR): (a) of the 14.35 million unemployed persons on the basis of the current weekly status during 1987-88 based on 43rd round of National Sample Survey, 9.59 million unemployed persons are rural people.

(b) The rural urban break-up of the estimates of the likely employment generation in 8th Five Rear Plan has not been made.

ILO opposition to us sanctions for import of child labour made goods

7428. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether international Labour Organisation (ILO) has opposed US sanctions to prevent import of apparel carpets and other products from countries like India, China, etc., with child labour contract;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in this regard;

(c) to what extent the import sanctions would widen the problem of child labour;

(d) whether in India children mostly work in agriculture, the informal sector and domestic service, hidden

from view and producing little or nothing for export;

(e) if so, what is the number of children working in each sector;

(f) what is the number of dismissed child workers who returned to school statewise during each of the last five years; and

(g) what steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has welcomed the ILO's stand which favours a positive approach to child labour based on understanding and co-operation.

(c) The complexity of the socio-economic domensions of any import sanction make it difficult to assess the extent of its impact on child in India.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) A statment is annexed (*See* below)

(f) and (g) Statistics on number of child labour dismissed and those who have returned to school State-wise is not available.

Statement

Children working in different areas of employment in India : 1981 *census*

S. No.	Nature of activity	1981 Census	
		No. of child workers in age group 0—14 years (in thousands)	Percentage
1	Cultivators	4,013	35.93
2	Agricultural Labourers	4,774	42.75
3	Livestock forestery, fishing, hunting plantations etc.	704	6.30
4	Mining & Quarrying	27	0.24
5	Manufacturing, Processing serving, repairs etc.	965	8.64
	(a) Housing industry	425	3.80
	(b) Others	540	4.84
6	Construction	79	0.71
7	Transport, storage and Communication	34	0.31
8	Trade and Commerce	246	2.20
9	Other services	326	2.92
	Total	11,168	100.00

In the 1981 Census, 'main' workers have been defined as/those who have worked for more than six months. The 1981 Census figures given above relate to 'main' workers only.